



COUNTDOWN  
9 MONTHS  
UNTIL THE END

# Load for Death



MIKE  
ROZDIAK

# Lady Death

## #15 - "Lucifer's Arena"

### Story So Far

Lucifer has released Lady Death from his curse, allowing her to return to Earth, but the Prince of Lies has baited a treacherous trap: both the executioner goddess Lady Death and her human counterpart, Hope, have returned! Lady Death had no time to avenge herself upon Lucifer; she had to battle the Riders of the Apocalypse! She slew Pestilence and Famine, then, ignoring a warning from the Archangel Michael, attacked War directly—and both Lady Death and War disappeared in a cataclysmic explosion!

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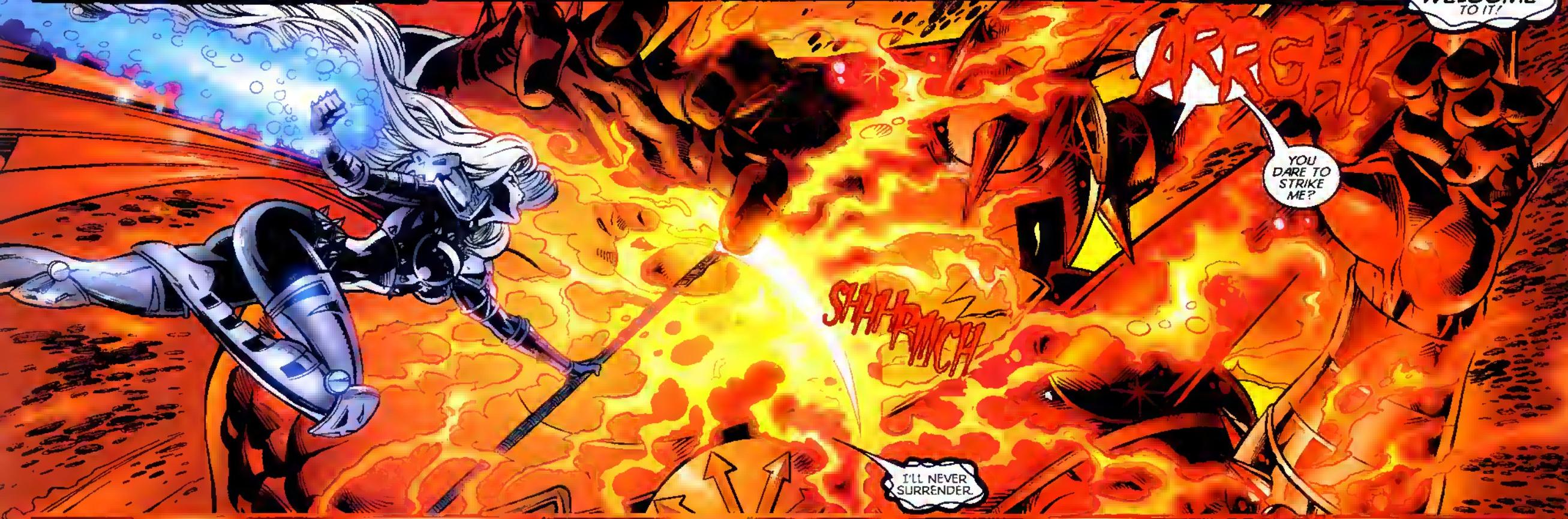
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### Lady Death® Timeline

The following are crucial comics that make up Lady Death's story. Find them at your local comic shop, convention or Chaos! Collectors Corner (888) CHAOS13 x556 mail order.

	'91, '92	EVIL ERNIE: Youth Gone Wild #1-5
	'94	LADY DEATH: The Reckoning (first series) #1-3
	'94	LADY DEATH #1/2 (published by Wizard)
	'95	LADY DEATH: Between Heaven & Hell #1-4
	'95, '96	CHAOS! QUARTERLY #1-3
	'95	LADY DEATH: Fan Edition (published by Overstreet)
	'96	EVIL ERNIE: Straight To Hell #4
	'96	LADY DEATH: The Odyssey #1-4
	'96	LADY DEATH: The Crucible #1/2
	'96, '97	LADY DEATH: The Crucible #1-6
	'97	LADY DEATH #0
	'98	LADY DEATH: Monthly #1-present
	'98	LADY DEATH: Dragon Wars
	'98	LADY DEATH: Retribution
	2000	ARMAGEDDON!







THAT BITCH LEVIATHA TRANSFORMED ME INTO THAT WEAK HUMAN. HOPE! SHE HUMILIATED ME!

SOMEHOW, SHE TOO SURVIVED HELL'S FALL!

SHE WON'T SURVIVE ME!



Las Vegas  
come behold  
The magick!

BELOW LAS VEGAS' INFERNO CASINO, LUCIFER LAUGHS.



I HAVEN'T BEEN SO AMUSED SINCE I LIFTED THE CURSE BARRING MY PALE LADY FROM EARTH!



STOP PESTERING ME ABOUT MY RIVAL LEVIATHA'S GROWING POWER.

WITH A SIMPLE SIGN, I JUST THREW A FURIOUS GODDESS OF DEATH AT HER!

WHAT DO YOU SAY, SEANCE?



DR. HALEY, YOU ARE GETTING BETTER AT THIS GAME EVERYDAY! HAHA!



WELL, MR. LOURDE, I'D SAY... LET US ENJOY THE SHOW?



THE INFERNO

TIME TO  
KEEP YOUR  
PROMISE, MY  
FRIEND.

MY ENEMIES  
ARE YOURS.  
REMEMBER?

NO, NO  
MASK TONIGHT.  
MY VISITOR MUST  
SEE THE NOBLE  
FACE OF THE  
ADVERSARY!

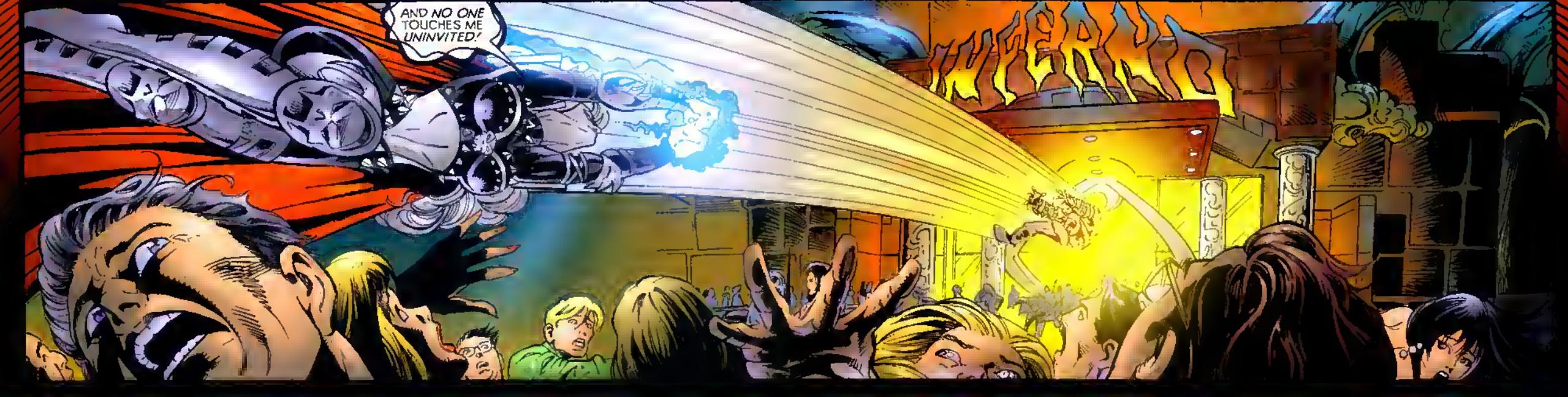
WHATEVER  
YOU SAY, MR.  
LOURDE.

IN HOPE'S LIFETIME,  
THIS AWE-INSPIRING  
CASTLE WOULD ONLY BE  
FOUND IN HEAVEN—OR HELL!

THIS WAS NOT  
MADE BY  
MAN'S HAND!

THIS INFERNAL THING  
WAS RAISED BY  
THE SORCERY OF  
LEVIATHA!







DON'T BE A FOOL, MY DEAR MAGE! THE INFERO IS IN THE BUSINESS OF TEMPTING SINNERS THROUGH MINDLESS ENTERTAINMENT.

MONEY CAN'T BUY THIS KIND OF SPECTACLE.



WHY DO YOU CALL ME THAT --  
RRARRGH!





REMEMBER  
OR I'LL  
BURY YOU  
HERE



REMEMBER!









BURN IN  
HELLFIRE!



AHHH!



NNGH!

Uhhh' LUCIFER?  
WHAT ARE YOU  
TALKING --

I gathered  
my  
strength!

Pay attention,  
you dirty little  
animal. Earth is  
mine. Not even  
my love, Lucifer,  
can resist me.

Thanks to you.  
While the  
Prince of Lies  
obsessed over  
you --

ARRGH!

Feel your blood  
FREEZE in your all  
too-human veins!

YOU'RE --  
S-S-SICK!  
W-W-  
WHERE'S  
LUCIFER? TELL  
MEE!

Haven't you distracted my  
beloved long enough? Time  
to burn!

I'M  
COMING,  
MILADY!

I WON'T  
FEEL FEAR.  
WON'T LET  
HER... TAKE  
OVER...  
BEAT  
YOU... BEAT  
HER.

YOU  
CAN'T  
MAKE ME  
FEEL

FOOMSH

Hope is dead! So  
ends the threat  
of Lady Death.  
Forever!

NOOO!

HOPE IS NOT DEAD!  
WHEREVER YOU HAVE  
TAKEN HER, LEVIATHA,  
I WILL FIND YOU!

DEEP BELOW  
THE CITY

Her will to  
survive was  
incredible,  
my sisters. As  
pure as fire.



The SIMPLEST  
torments  
are the most  
EXCRUCIATING!



CHOOOM

If Lady Death  
merges with  
hope forever ...



--existence  
becomes exquisite  
TORTURE for  
them BOTH!



SUDDENLY,  
WITHIN THE  
STORM OF  
MAGICK...



NEXT: THE INFERNAL CONCLUDES IN  
"Queen of Hell!"



# The IMPENDING CHAOS!

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YOUR MONTHLY NEWS SOURCE ON ALL THINGS CHAOS! - FEBRUARY '99

## From The Crypt

The Countdown to Armageddon continues! It will be the end of the Chaos! Cosmos as we know it! So what is all this leading to? What does it mean?

I'm not telling.

But I thought I'd address a lot of people's concerns. In the last year, I've gotten hundreds of letters concerned that Armageddon signals the ACTUAL end of the Chaos! Cosmos FOR REAL. Let me put the rumors to bed right here and now.

NO, the Chaos! Cosmos will not end LITERALLY. Armageddon is a storyline. It is a very devastating storyline, one that will have massive impact on the future. I assure you, but it's a storyline nonetheless.

Will there be Chaos! Comics beyond December 1999? Yup. We call it BEYOND THE END.

Will major characters die during Armageddon? Yes, a few major players will die (What I find so interesting is that our readership is so hardcore. I thought you guys would be thrilled to hear we'd do something so extreme. I found the opposite to be true. You guys love the characters so much you don't want them to go away. I appreciate that, but a few got to go!). Who's dyin'? I ain't tellin'!

Will Evil Ernie and Lady Death pursue megadeath - the extinction of all life on earth? Yes, I am personally returning ALL my characters to their roots, guiding them personally on their twisted paths.

Did we zig a few times when we should have zagged in 1998? Yes, we did. Do we plan to in 1999? No, we are heading at the speed of light toward a brick wall in the road called Armageddon. If you can handle it, come along. It won't be pretty. If you can't, get off now, 'cause we're goin' into high gear.

Chaos! on the brain,

- Brian Pulido

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## The Low Down

### Pulido Returns to Lady Death® with The Rapture

The time for the final battle has come Fiends, and the armies of Heaven and Hell stand ready. Armageddon begins in May with Lady Death: The Rapture, a four issue miniseries that features Lady Death creator Brian Pulido's first return to the character in years, along with killer art by Ivan (The Supernaturals) Reis and Joe Pimentel. Joining Pulido as co-writer for The Rapture is Len Kaminski, best known for his work on such diverse titles as Ghost Rider 2099, Hellstorm, Dr. Fate, and several Venom miniseries. "Len's got this incredible dark streak in his stuff that has always been dying to get out," Pulido says. "I think the guy has always had to write for Chaos!, and he's finally coming home. He's a real pro, and I'm thrilled to have him on board."

As Kaminski explains, The Rapture is a chance to finally spread his bloody, feathery wings. "Most of my entire career has been spent working for the mainstream publishers, and they've never really given me the opportunity to satisfy the fullness of my appetite for sex, carnage and blasphemy. Having to bring everything in at PG-13 levels was getting old fast, and with The Rapture, I really get to cut loose. It's very cathartic, and I'm enjoying the hell out of it."

The storyline kicks off in The Rapture #1 when Lady Death, seeking vengeance, unknowingly commits an act that has been prophesied for thousands of years and begins the chain of events that will lead to the final battle for all the Cosmos, nine months from now. Fittingly, The Rapture, the most important Chaos! miniseries in years, will be extremely reader-friendly, with no previous Lady Death knowledge required, so all Fiends are hereby required to get a friend to pick up issue #1 as well! "The Rapture is a fresh start," Pulido explains. "This story gets Lady Death back to her basics. It's truly a new beginning for Lady Death, one that people who may never have read or haven't read Lady Death since the earlier miniseries will be able to pick up and really enjoy. And as for long time readers? This

is the Lady Death they've been clamoring for." This is what Chaos! Fiends have been waiting for - the actual beginning of the end. When the final sentence of the story that begins here is written, the Chaos! Cosmos will never be the same! Be sure to reserve your copies of The Rapture with your retailer today!

## Lady Death® The Rapture Omega Edition

Oh yeah Fiends - this is the good stuff! Be sure to enter the Lady Death: The Rapture Omega Edition contest with the entry forms in Lady Death: The Rapture #1. The lucky Fiend who wins will receive the ultra-rare (that means only 1 is ever gonna be made) Omega Edition of The Rapture #1! This once in a lifetime collectible features a hand-assembled edition of the comic with an exclusive cover commemorating the issue. Win this one, and Fiends across these 50 twisted states will envy you until the day you die!

## Evil Clowns Invade Chaos!

Coming in May, be on the lookout for clowns at your comic store - The Insane Clown Posse, that is. Thanks to Chaos! ICP will be making their comic book debut with May's Insane Clown Posse #1, written by Jesse Leon McCann and penciled by Rob Brown. This is the place where you can find out all you want to know about how the Carnival Spirit transformed two street rappers into ax-wielding clowns. Fans of the band - don't worry - everything you know and love about the ICP is inside here as well! This is gonna be the hippest, happening comic come May!

## Smiley™ The Psychotic Button™ Month Rocks!

The Psychotic Button rules in May! We couldn't stop him Fiends - Smiley called our manufacturers and ordered up a slew of gear with his leering mug on it, and now we've got to sell it. Here's what the deviant little bunion has coming in May:

- Smiley embroidered cap, one size fits all - \$19.95
- Smiley The Psychotic Inflatable, a double-sided three-

foot diameter inflatable - \$24.95.

- Smiley Zippo lighter, with a picture of Smiley by Ed Benes - \$34.95
- Smiley The Psychotic Frisbee, drawn by Ed Benes - \$9.95
- Smiley Sticker #3, art by Ivan Reis - \$3.50

Ba sure to tell your retailer what you want for your very own, otherwise, you'll lose out! Remember - if Smiley catches you, and you're not wearing his stuff - we can't be held responsible for your safety.

## Chaos! Original Art at [chaoscomics.com](http://chaoscomics.com)

Our resident art-sorter and Marketing Director Bob Sprenger wants to remind all Fiends that there's a ton of new original art by some of your favorite Chaos! artists, including pages by Mike Deodato Jr., Jack Jadson, Al Rio and Peter Vale up for sale on the Chaos! website. He's scanned in some of the coolest pages for your perusal, including pages from Purgatori #1, Lady Death: Retribution, Pandemonium, and Lady Death #5 and #6.

And remember Fiends - it's easy to nab for your own - just find the piece you're interested in, call 1-888-CHAOS13 ext. 515, and tell Erik what pieces you're after (remember, it's always best to have a couple of different pieces in mind just on case one has sold out since you saw it on the website). Original art rocks Fiends - it's a one-of-a-kind collectible from Chaos! - Where Darkness Dwells.

## Chastity® Rapture, Depraved, UNDERTAKER Variants Coming!

That's right Fiends, you demanded them, so here they are! Thanks to our pals at Dynamic Forces, variant covers to the coolest Chaos! books are coming your way! Be sure to check out The Undertaker #1 variant cover with art by Dan Jurgens and Jerry Ordway; Lady Death: The Rapture #1 and Evil Ernie: Depraved #1 variants with covers by Chris Bachalo; and coming in May - our own premium variant to Chastity: Lust for Life #1 by Humberto Ramos!

## Upcoming Online Chats:

Celebrate the return of Brian Pulido to the pages of Lady Death with Lady Death: The Rapture Chats held exclusively in the Chaos! chatroom at [www.chaoscomics.com](http://www.chaoscomics.com)! Ask about the story! Ask about Evil Ernie the movie! Tell

him ya love him! You'll need a 4.0 browser to access the chats, so make sure you're up to date! Brian and other surprise guests will be online and chatting April 7th and May 12th at 6:00 p.m. Mountain Time. Be there, or be damned!

You speak and we listened - in addition to Chastity: Lust

## Chastity Cards Coming in May

For Life, Chas' brand new mini which launches in April, your favorite pop-culture vampire gets her very own trading card set in May. The 90-card set is composed of 10 subsets that feature some of Chastity's greatest moments; Chastity teamed up with the women of Chaos! and cards featuring Chastity modeling the latest swimsuit fashions. And like everything else we do - Smiley's got to have his say as well, so the psychotic button gets his own 9 card subset where he'll profess his great love (or is that lust?) for Chastity.

As a special bonus - there's also a limited six card chase set that will blow your socks off (if you don't wear socks, hold on to your toes!). Be sure to tell your retailer you want a box of these when they hit stores in May!

Collector's Corner on-line Offers Secure Ordering

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Can't find cool Chaos! merchandise at your local shop? Fear not Fiends - you can safely and securely order all your favorite Chaos! loot (including all the hard to find stuff!) online at [www.chaoscomics.com](http://www.chaoscomics.com). But remember - we do sell out of cool stuff occasionally, so order early and order often!

Look for details soon for our "Get Your Ass to

## Gory Bits:

Summerslam™ contest - winners get a trip to the WWF's Summerslam, and a chance to cheer on Chaos' favorite wrestler, The Undertaker! Do we have cool stuff planned for this summer? Oh hell yeah!...1999 is the year of Chaos! - look for big, BIG announcements coming soon about how we're gonna invade every corner of your world! The Undertaker is taking the comics world by storm! Sell-outs of issue #1 are expected across the country - be sure to get yours today!

## The Chaos! To Come Checklist

Enjoy life. Read comics more often! After all, who among us can get through the week without a certain amount of Chaos?! Be the first on your block to own the complete set of Chaos! Comics.

**March '99**

- Purgatori #7 \$2.95
- Lady Death #15 \$2.95
- Evil Ernie #10 \$2.95
- Cremator #5 (OF 5) \$2.95
- Undertaker #1 \$2.95
- Smiley's Spring Break Special \$2.95

**April '99**

- Chastity Lust for Life #1 (of 3)
- Lady Death #16 \$2.95
- Undertaker #2 \$2.95
- Smiley's Whacky Wrestling \$2.95

**May '99**

- Chastity: Lust for Life #2 (of 3)
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- Undertaker #3 \$2.95
- Insane Clown Posse #1 \$2.95

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